

#6) *Hurray Castro won! Boy April '61*

Dear Tim:

those liberals (Kennedy Stevenson)
are just dumb - I could have told them they'd fail
Got your letter--All sounds Smashing good show there. Saw Monk play beautifully in Olympia theater Paris but didn't see him except ~~xxx~~ on stage. a monk.

I receive mail safely at American Express 11 Rue Scribe Paris France. If you have a sufficient supply, I would like to have some mushroom or LSD. I am looking for French connection, no success ~~xxx~~ yet but have not looked intensively. Can use ~~xx~~ all you can send. Burroughs is in Tangier % U.S. Consulate (WSB, % US Consulate Tanger Morocco) --he or Brian Gysin et my mushrooms. I'll go down to visit Burroughs as soon as I am financially able--all three of us down to \$80 but there'll be loot coming in.

We got offer from Gerodias of Olympia to be editors of a big time sexual magazine, free hand with vast salaries & print anything MAD we want. Gregory wants to, I'm hesitating, Peter still wants india Directly. If I accept it means being tied down here in Europe a year or 2, but also wierdest XX century literary mag yet. I dunno. I'll probably be around here when you come in June.

Send me forms to fill out as I gave mushrooms to Gregory. Gysin has filled out & will send you his. I don't know him well, and still not in intimate contact with him emotionally, tho Burroughs thinks we shd dig each other. Gysin has invented a GREAT flicker machine: dig this--cut out 10 apertures on a stovepipe hat or piece of cardboard & set it revolving on phonograph at 33 speed. It flickers and is home made strobe. I looked in it--it sets up optical fields as religious & mandalic as the hallucinogenic drugs--literally. (look in with eyes closed)--It's like being able to have jewelled biblical designs & landscapes without taking chemicals. Amazing. It Works. Gysin says the apertures have to be measured and adjusted right to get 16 flickers a second or something. He also paints the inside of the stovepipe-cardboard. Of course you have to drop an electric bulb, I forgot, in the center of it to flicker thru apertures. I'll try to connect him with a toy mfr--home made

optic movies possible. Burroughs present cut up operates--in theory--on similar flicker principle--trying to play his words over and over flashing in different combos to perhaps set up a 3-D field in imagination or some other practical level. Interesting experiment & more grounded in practical constructive purpose than I had grasped--thought before it was just a negative thing to cut up Life or recombine words artistically.

Can you send me a pack of Psylocybin? & also send the forms, they'll be filled out.

Here is Peter, who a half hour ago shot 250 g of mescaline into his vein with a needle. First, yes, also, I saw Michaux who has just finished a book on his experiments with Mushroom pills too--nice old man--says it's all in YOU & no outside forces or Gods too--

Peter Dinklage:

Yes it's all an inward force, we are all God so being God it feels very nice to shute up mescaline in the vein which I just did 2 hrs ago--got laid last night, so many girls here. Now that I am high would like to see this Flicker but it's being fixed--so at the moment the world seems very physical & all the physicalness going somewhere---Supe on the stove---it all boils down to ass & roses on the table---you been able to turn on Kenidies brother yet? Kenedey real mean to Castro & acting so stupid instead of making friends--he's giving me a bad name, help--Hay Kenidiey why don't you get laid instead of fucking around with politics. So, Tim, I've been studying French here & going to gim with a funny hard-on. *It's out here now, we have HUG-E*

S.W.H. literary party, Monday That was half hour sitting at typewriter totally hi. Lots happening here, a great shade (negro) painter in town who tells me he said hi on mescaline 3 mos last year--MAGNIFICINET "Imaginist" painter (new school we named)--i.e. visionary literal dream vision or waking visionary imagery as subject, breakthru from abstract--Gregory a great book American Express the last word on Cosmic Politics, a dreamy comedy writ like Candide & Alice in Wonderland, pix by author, we'll send you a copy--Burroughs one of the goofy conspirer

11-61
Hi Timotheey:

Here is all this reports & statements
for your need to fill pill pocket.

Have been working & reading about
Cubia in different books about. Still
dont know if we get to go yet.

Lot of New Year parties & rain more
talk with some Psychiatrist at party
but I forgot to get his name --

Thanks for yr report & N.O. Brown

*So maybe see Jan Jan 14 or so -
John Pether -*

Dear Tim:

Been reading books on Cuba and wind up
much more sympathetic to Castro, especially
after events of last few days. Castro's speeches
real great. T. Monk has no phone that I know of, I'll
send him an added note to try arrange some
way of contacting ~~xx~~ you when you hit town--the
14th for real? You expect to have Cylocybin
replenished by then?

Brown's piece quite strange--will you
be able to contact him? He has a lot of
influence on Barzun-trilling-auden set. But
his piece is quite magnanimous, great in itself
--last gasp of classicisms. *Is it published anywhere??*

I sent you Franz Kline & W. De Kooning
addresses & phones in last letter.

Everything among papers quite admirable.
I'd heard about McFate's decision from
Weston La Barre; it's being appealed alas
still however. Yr report seems quite up to
the mark professionally.

Not received Mesc yet.

Busy--helping friend off junk habit--
typing mss--writing dreams down--letters--
about ready to get out from under soon.

No news from Cubg yet but trip not
off--may go any day--or not. I may be here
weekend of 14th--yr welcome to stay over
here whether we're here or not.--Love, --Allen

*It'll be published
in Esquire or Big Table
maybe*

#2 all gm Jan 61 (2)
Dear Tom:

Received your letter, w/ usual interest.

I spoke to Willhem De Kooning yesterday and he was ready to swing too, so please drop him an invitation too. His address is 831 Broadway New York City. Phone LF 3-5680--if you phone, you to ring twice, hang up & ring again. turn-on

I figure Kline, DeKooning, Monk & Gillespie are the most impressive quartet imaginable for the moment & so will leave it at that for awhile, till they can be taken care of., not send you new names & worktrouble for a while. Hope you can get these four letters off.

(Lowell's Ny Address is 194 Riverside Drive NY)

I also wrote Osmond & Huxley asking them to connect Burroughs with Heim, or anyone in Paris.

None of my business actually, but Koestler always struck me as a little hard hearted somehow--hate myself to have him as a Final Curandero. That is, being an intellectual, he tend to organize a polemic-dogmatic-mental system around experience (as in his essay on Zen, which is very intelligent but not so magnanimous). But by all means send him batches to hand out.

Rosset's Address is Barney Rossett, 64 Univ Place, Grove Press, NY. His girl Ann quit her job & he seems generally displeased by the whole experience--not sullen, not exactly disapproving--but he has his own mind. mit

You have Corso's Happy Birthday of Death?

H.S.'s "peril of mind let loose"--well I agree with you generally. But I have had that experience of absolute fear--"suppose it decides not to keep the body going"--in Peru. It never recurred, but I can't guarantee it won't recur to me. That is, there was something mysterious happening beyond what I know and later experienced. "Each incarnation is different" But at the time I was sure that if I really let go I would literally die, and that it might be a good idea, to get to another dimension. But I wasn't so positive it was a good idea. Really fearfully confused. Maybe you could die, like a Yoga or Buddha or something worse, or better?

Who knows? I mean who knows how deep the soul goes into the universe and what outright magic it can work? Like maybe leaving this body and going to a god-world or devil world body? Literally. At least I haven't myself totally surmounted that superstition if it is superstition, not uncanny awareness. So I tend to feel mentally a hands off policy; as far as making final judgement of what is actually psychologically happening to HS. But I wasn't there. I generally agree w/ yr reaction, or I also tend to have ~~your~~ ^{my} reaction--as to Barney or HS. Nonetheless my knowledge of Fact is not final. I've been operating as much on Faith & Hope in a way.

Send me a bill for the mesc. No need for you to pay. *end of #2* *Accy gr. Dec 1960*

here is a statement for Sandoz. Is it OK?
"Have had experience with Mescaline, LSD 25, & Cylocybin. The mushroom synthetic seems to me the easiest on the body physically, and the most controllable in dosage. The effects are generally similar, subjectively. Cylocybin seems to me to be some sort of psychic ~~god~~ godsend--it offers unparalleled opportunity to catalyse ~~otherworldly~~ awareness of otherwise unconscious psychic processes--to widen the area of human consciousness--to deepen reification of ideas and identification of real objects--to perceive the inner organization of natural objects & human art-works--to enter the significance & aesthetic organization of music, painting, poetry, architecture; it seems to make philosophy make sense; it aids ~~consciousness~~ consciousness to contemplate itself & ~~serve~~ ^{serve} the most delightful functions of the mind--as if, turning up the volume on a receiving set, background & FM stations can be heard. The affects are not unnatural, I have experienced similar things without use of chemical catalysts, and ~~some~~ correspond to what I as a poet have ~~experienced~~ ^{experienced} at previously as "aesthetic", "poetic", "transcendental" or "mystical" awareness: a kind of useful practical "Cosmic consciousness." ~~It~~ will help Mankind grow."

OK - Allen
I think it

psychoybin

Allen Ginsberg
(3) Jan 1961

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Dear Tim:

No news yet from Cuba so I think it safe to send ~~cyle~~ here--I'll call you before I leave which may yet be another week---if at all at this rate.

Burroughs is in Paris 9 Rue Git Le Coeur Paris 6 France---I wrote Huxley his address today with an explanatory note--but if you have any means of connecting him with Heim or anyone there--could you do so. Perhaps send him an academic letter of introduction which he could deliver to Heim? This got to be done soon as Bu rroughs is on way east in a few weeks I think--not sure. He writes he had some LSD in London, as well as an injection of another drug--what I dunno.

He writes--"Dont flip pops is all. One must be careful of altitude sickness (siroche) and depth madness and the bends...Hazards of the Silent World...Space is silent remember " etc.

Anyway I'LL let you know before I leave to Cuba, send me what you can if you can when you can.

Been finished with proofs of my book this week & doing some writing.

As ever

Allen

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